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Summer FUN began on Wednesday the 9th with dealer set up at 2PM. The public came in on Thursday at 10AM. There were 214 dealer booths, 2 more than last year. Attendance was approximately 3000. The temperature in Orlando was about 90 degrees with showers in the afternoon. The show was in Hall WA1, next to the Rosen Centre. Little did we know that there was a boys age 7-12 basketball tournament right next to us in Hall WA2. At times they were totally unsupervised and bouncing basketballs everywhere. It was a miracle no one was hurt.

There were 11 exhibits filling 47 cases. We had 6 educational programs, 2 each day, that were reasonably well attended. The YN program had 40 kids and the Scout program had 91.

The Coin Club Get Together had 28 attendees representing 19 different coin clubs. The Piedmont Gold Panners always seemed busy. We had 5 coin club buses bringing in 156 club members. Jacksonville had 39, Ocala & Palm Beach each had 35, Sarasota 25 and West Hernando had 22 on board.

The grading services attending were, NGC, PMG, ICG, and ANACS. The Heritage Auction did $ 9,721,000. We had Wizard Supply, "Coins & Kids" booth had prizes for all kids. There were 26 tables in the Budget Section and 15 tables in the Foreign & Ancient Section. Every dealer that I spoke to said they had a good show. As far as I know everything went smoothly.

Many thanks go out to Convention Coordinator Cindy Wibker, FUN Officers & Board, and all of the FUN volunteers.

We now look forward to the January FUN show, 8-11, 2015. It will be FUN's 60th anniversary and the 300th anniversary of the sinking of the 1715 Fleet off of the east coast of Florida. Have a good summer and fall, and we will see you in Orlando, Hall D, West Concourse in January.

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Hello to all of our FUN YN's. We are half way through summer and the Florida weather has been really hot and humid. The only thing hotter was the YN Program at Summer FUN. On Thursday and Friday we had the "Coins and Kids" booth open for those YN's who could not be here on Saturday. Then on Saturday over 100 YN's came through the booth to spin our prize wheel and see what they could take home. Next to our booth was the FUN Photo booth. Kids from 3 to 103 dressed up for pictures showing that they were the richest people in the show. There were a lot of laughs, and a lot of smiles, as the cameras clicked away.

Forty YN's came to the YN program early on Saturday morning. We had a wonderful "Coin Trivia" presentation by Steve Cochran from "Gainesville Coins". Participants who answered question from the category "All About Coins", received a 1 ounce copper round representing the "Year of the Horse."

YN's can join professional historian Steven Cochran as he investigates coins from around the world in Gainesville Coins' "The Coin Explorer." Each episode focuses on unique coins from a particular nation, including their rarity, uniqueness and historical relevance . This continuing web video series will educate and entertain the amateur coin collector and the experienced numismatist alike.

As a kid, Steven's never-ending curiosity led him to explore and dig out the history of the things he found. While other kids wanted to be firemen or astronauts, Steven wanted to be a history teacher. His love of history and curiosity led him to become a professional historical researcher as an adult. He brings these skills to Gainesville Coins' new web show, "The Coin Explorer," as he delves into the history and background of a different old or new precious metal item every week.

We ended our program with a great raffle that contained awesome prizes, including a album of presidential medals, 90% silver rounds, folders filled with coins, and commemorative coin featuring the Civil War battle at Gettysburg. Everyone then had a delicious lunch complements of FUN.

We had a house full for the Boy Scout Coin Collecting merit badge. Ninety One (91) scouts and family members crowded into our room for the presentation. Earning this merit badge was truly FUN. Again, participation was the key to extra coins and prizes. Each scout received the Coin Collecting Merit Badge folder, coins to get started on a collection, and various other numismatic materials to take home.

I would like to ask all of our YN's to bring a friend to the show in January 2015. It is going to be a blast. Next year, we will have the opportunity to see Golden Treasures that many people have never seen, and will not get the chance to see for a long time. Besides, the more YN's we have, the more FUN we have.

Let's do a little YN TRIVIA:

Here are ten questions from Steve Cochran' coin trivia presented on Saturday morning.

1. What is the proper name for the front of a coin?
2. Which of these coins does NOT have a reeded/milled edge? (dime, nickel, quarter, half)
3. What is the name of the coin series that has national parks on the reverse?
   - A) The "National Parks" Nickel Program
   - B) The "America the Beautiful" Quarter Program
   - C) The "American Destinations" Dime Program
   - D) The "Scenic America" Half Dollar Program
4. When you balance a coin upright on a table, what is the part it is resting on?
5. Whose image has NOT appeared on the half dollar coin?
   - A) Kennedy
   - B) Ben Franklin
   - C) Liberty
   - D) Franklin D. Roosevelt

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Sincerely Cindy

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Every convention has some special flair or unforeseen event, and Summer FUN 2014 was no exception. It was the first coin convention I've attended that was located beside a sporting event. Many thanks to all of you who weaved your way through the children and bouncing basketballs in the hallways to get to the door of the show. I have already communicated with the "powers that be" at the Orange County Convention Center to make sure it never happens again. Other than the active kids in the building with us, the 8th Annual Summer FUN convention was a smashing success! Heritage had a wonderful auction, about 3,000 public turned out during the 3 days, we had a great selection of dealer tables (U.S. coins, paper money, foreign and ancient coins, budget coins, coin clubs and supplies), the Piedmont Gold Panners helped our guests look for sparkling treasures in the dirt, the Coins and Kids area was busy, we increased the number of educational programs to 6, 4 coin clubs held meetings in addition to FUN's coin club get-together, the young numismatist program was active, and about 100 Scouts earned their coin collecting merit badge on Saturday afternoon. There was plenty of activity, and the dealers left happy with their sales results. By all measures it was a great convention. I'm always open to suggestions for improvement, however. If any of you have input, please let me know.

I want to give a special thank you to the members of the Central Florida Coin Club for staffing our public registration counters. Our friends at CFCC keep the lines moving and get everyone into the bourse area as quickly as possible.

I also want to thank Independent Coin Grading (ICG) for encapsulating 60 silver eagles for us gratis. The silver eagles are presented to our fulltime volunteers, educational speakers and exhibitors. They are a great acknowledgement of time dedicated to the success of the show.

Last but not least, I want to thank the members of the board of directors of Florida United Numismatists. I have the pleasure of working with them all year to lay the foundation and make detailed plans for each FUN convention. They are the backbone of this organization and keep FUN's best interest at heart. Please be sure to thank them when you see them at FUN conventions or other coin shows around the country. They all give unselfishly of their time so you can enjoy your time spent at FUN conventions.

As I write this I'm preparing to go to Chicago to attend the ANA convention. I hope to see many of you there. My numismatic family is my extended family, and I look forward to reunions at conventions. When I return from the ANA I'll be putting in some long hours digging into details for our 60th anniversary convention in Orlando in January. It also happens to be the 300th anniversary of the sinking of the 1715 fleet off the coast of Florida. FUN is planning some very special exhibits and activities for you, so make your hotel reservations now and plan to attend. I'll be back in the winter issue with more information for you. In the meantime, enjoy the rest of your summer and stay cool!

Sincerely,

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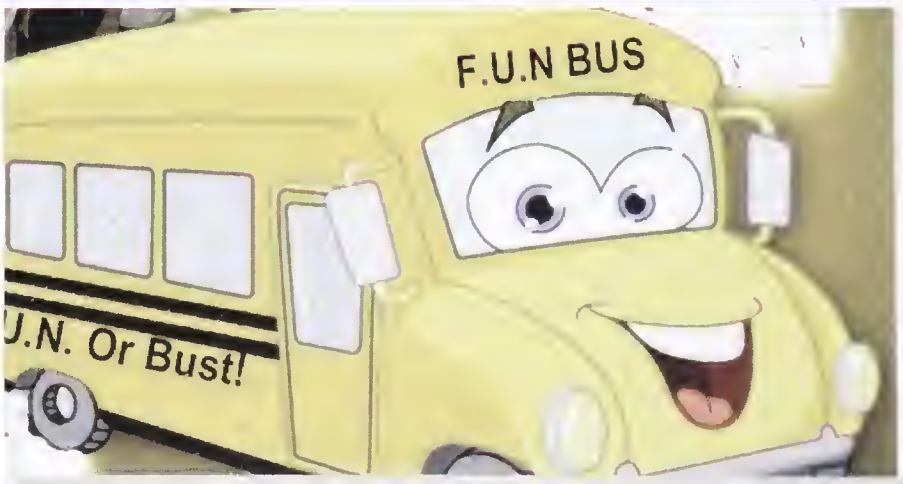

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6. What is the proper term for the back of a coin?
7. If a circulating US coin does not have a mint mark, it was most likely produced at
   - A) Denver
   - B) San Francisco
   - C) Carson City
   - D) Philadelphia
8. What were five cent coins called, before they were called nickels?
   - A) A Buffalo
   - B) A Half Dime
   - C) A Fiver
   - D) One Bit
9. What was the first animal besides an eagle to appear on a circulating US coin?
   - A) Rattlesnake
   - B) Horse
   - C) Buffalo
   - D) Turkey
10. How much money is two bits?

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Have a great summer, *Tony B.*

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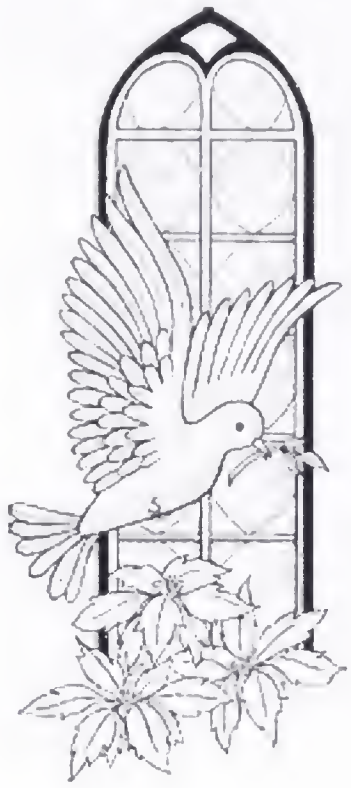

Remembering Don Charters and Rita Jene Sledz

Two of FUN's veteran volunteers have passed away within days of one another. These two would be available anytime and anywhere they were needed. They helped with showcases, they helped read table signs for Cindy and they even were the informaiton experts. They both gave freely of their time and talents, and asked for nothing in return. These two hard-working volunteers will be greatly missed by the numismatic community.

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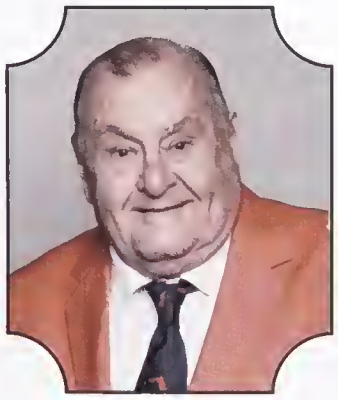

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Summer Seminar

By Peyton Souder, YN scholarship winner

As each year of ANA's Summer Seminar passes, I'm convinced that it is the best year I've experienced yet. Within the week of being in Colorado Springs, I make new friends, gain more knowledge about multiple numismatic topics, and make incredible memories that will last me a lifetime.

The American Numismatic Association offers around 17 courses for each week, making sure that there is a class that will best suit your interest. During the first week, I took Grading United States Coins, Part 2, and during the second week, I took Advanced United States Coin Grading and Problem Coins. After taking these classes, I'm confident in my grading and I am able to identify coins with major issues. For each course, the teachers voluntarily give their time to better the students' education. The classes are terrific, the teachers are dedicated, and the surrounding environment provokes learning.

Summer Seminar gives numismatists the opportunity to interact with other numismatists, whether it's over a meal or a coin passed around the grading room, the conversations had between people at seminar are remarkable. Wherever I am, I can just sit next to others and soak up all of the information like a sponge. Learning at summer seminar doesn't just happen in the classroom, it happens everywhere, which provides unlimited education.

During the first session of the seminar, I was the YN Auction head, meaning that I was in charge of putting together an auction to raise money for future YN scholarships. The auction was held on Tuesday, June 24th and we raised $12,500, with around 100 lots. With the funds raised, young numismatists can apply for scholarships for the upcoming year, very similar to the scholarship program FUN has created. The YN auction is just one of the multiple activities that goes on, during the seminar. Other activities include a trip to Pikes Peak, a tour of the Denver mint, or a Colorado Rockies baseball game!

Without the scholarship I received from FUN, I wouldn't have been able to make it out to Colorado for a second week. I'm beyond grateful for the experiences I have had while out west, and I'm going to encourage others to apply for the scholarship to get the same experience I have just had. Summer seminar IS the best education in numismatics. Period.

ANA YN Auction

ANA OUTSTANDING YN of the YEAR-- **Peyton Souder**

My Trip to ANA Summer Seminar 2014

By Joshua Smith, YN scholarship winner

I would like to thank F.U.N. for giving me the opportunity to attend Summer Seminar 2014. Summer Seminar is truly an event where numismatists can come to learn and interact with other people who share the same interest as themselves. The knowledge gained by attending is invaluable and would normally take years to learn.

A special thanks to the ANA for making Summer Seminar a reality. They have done an incredible job organizing Summer Seminar that makes everything run perfectly. Without them Summer Seminar would not be what it is. The Colorado College offers an excellent cafeteria with all the food a numismatist could hope for. While staying on campus you have every comfort you need in the colleges dorms. They have been amazing in keeping Summer Seminar alive.

The classes offered at Summer Seminar are, "The best education in numismatics, period." During Summer Seminar session 1 I attended The Modern Minting Process: Errors and Varieties. In this class you will not only learn many types of errors and varieties, but also take a private tour of the Moonlight Mint which is a private mint outside of Denver. Each class is well organized with instructors who are incredibly knowledgeable and love to share their numismatic knowledge with others. They don't know the meaning of the word ego or inapproachable and are always concerned with their students.

The opportunity to make lasting relationships with other numismatists while at Summer Seminar is simply amazing. It does not matter if you are a Young Numismatist or a long timer you will meet others who share you numismatic interests. The camaraderie between other numismatists is what makes Summer Seminar. Without it every day would be boring, but instead every day is another day having fun with other numismatists.

Summer Seminar is an incredible experience for anyone. Through it I have made more friends and learned more things in 1 week than I could have hoped to in 1 year. I would like to again thank F.U.N. for giving me this opportunity to increase my knowledge of the world of numismatics.

The End

Young Numismatists having fun at Summer FUN

Panning for Gold at Summer FUN

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A25690	RILES, NICK	LA
A25691	RILES, NICOLE	LA
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A25693	MOORE, MIA J.	FL
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J25695	RILES, CULLEN	LA
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J25699	RILES, CAMERON	LA
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J25703	MARKIS, THOMAS	FL
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My ANA Summer Seminar "Experience" grades a 70!

By Bill Sanders, FUN Adult Scholarship winner

I was the recipient of Fun's Scholarship for a week at ANA's Summer Seminar, and also the recipient of ANA's Senior Scholarship for another week. I used these 2 weeks to increase my understanding of how the grading services apply grading standards to United States Coins. The information I learned in the seminars will be useful to me as an instructor in Gold Coast Coin Club's Numismatist Course. I hope to be able to pass on some of the insights the grading experts conveyed in the classes.

I arrived at Denver airport Saturday afternoon, June 21st, and was met by Tiny who directed us to the bus which took us to the campus. The Summer Seminar is held annually at Colorado College, a four-year liberal arts college that was founded in Colorado Springs in 1874.(www.ColoradoCollege.edu) . On arrival, I checked in with campus housing and ANA before having a Buffet Lunch in Loomis Lounge . Opening Ceremonies were at 6 p.m. in Worner Campus Center, Gaylord Hall.

Session One - June 21-26, 2014
All Classrooms were on the Colorado College Campus and classes were held Sunday through Wednesday, June 22-25, from 9 - 11:45 a.m. and 1:15 - 4 p.m.

Meals were served in the Rastall Dining Hall. I choose to stay in the apartments with 4 separate bedrooms and one common bath. The rooms were clean and the bed reasonably comfortable. The food in the cafeteria was wholesome and filling (maybe too filling, as my waistline now shows). The Hall of Fame Dedication & Reception was held Wednesday in the ANA Museum. The ANA Library and Book Sale Hours were (most days) from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m. with the ANA Vault available for coin storage. A Young Numismatist Benefit Auction was held Tuesday, 7 - 10 p.m. The Session One Graduation Banquet was held on Wednesday.

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On Thursday I visited the ANA Museum and found the exhibits very interesting.

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My ANA Summer Seminar "Experience"grades a 70!

By Bill Sanders, FUN Adult Scholarship winner

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On Thursday I took a tour of the Denver Mint.

I set up at the Colorado Springs Coin Show Friday and Saturday between sessions. I brought only enough coins for a single case, so I found the show a little slow. I was fortunate to see some very rare coins and talk to the collectors that owned them. Many thanks to the Show Chairman for allowing me to setup for 2 days of the coin show.

Session Two-June 28-July 3, 2014

The second session followed the same daily schedule above with everyone leaving Thursday, July 3. Graduation Banquet for Session Two was on Wednesday, July 2. The College & ANA were both closed on July 4th.

In Session 1 I enrolled in:

1. Grading United States Coins, Part 2 with John Schuch, II and Steven Feltner
2. Small Size One Dollar Notes 1928 to Present (Mini-Seminar at night) with Rick Ewing

In Session 2 I enrolled in:

1..Advanced United States Coin Grading And Problem Coins with Bill Shamhart, Charlie Brown, Ken Park, Don Ketterling
2. National Bank Notes, The Big Picture (Mini-Seminar at night) with Peter Huntoon

In the 2 weeks of coin grading, we studied a very practical methodology of "speed grading". We explored the important details to look for by examining hundreds of mint state and problem coins. Grade evolution, toning, luster in grading, and why not to "micro grade", were all studied in depth.

The 2 Mini- Seminars were very good introductions to their respective areas.

After the night classes, many of the instructors and students would meet in a patio area for "bull" sessions. These informal sessions (at the"Moonlight Lounge") were a lot of fun.

The classes I attended were taught by experienced professionals. I highly recommend all of these Seminars and I believe the ANA Summer Seminar "Experience" was worthwhile and could be of value to all Numismatists.

My ANA Summer Seminar "Experience"grades a 70!

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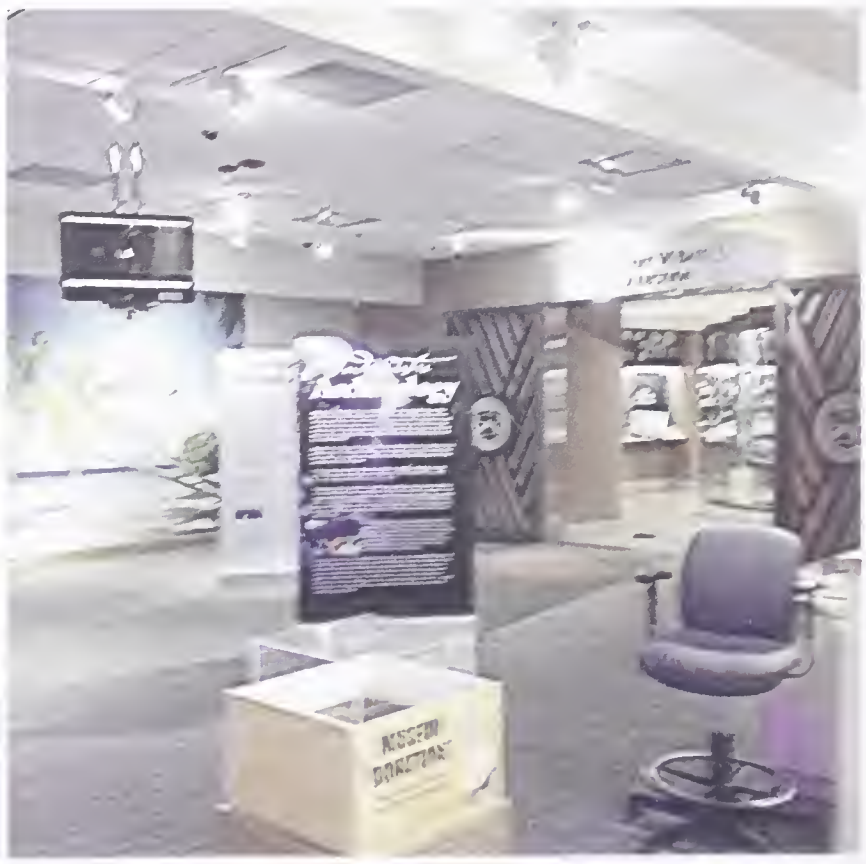

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September 7
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September 13
St. Petersburg Coin Club Show. Disabled American Veterans, 4801 37th Street North, ST. Petersburg, FL 33713. Contact: Robert Wiley PH: 727-580-4108, PO Box 1201 St Petersburg, FL 33784-1201.

September 14
South Brevard & Missle Stamp Club Show, Eau Galle Civic Center, 1551 Highland Ave., Melbourne, FL. Contact: Alysha Wilson. PH: 321-751-3647.
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September 21
Fort Lauderdale Coin Club Coin & Stamp Show, Volunteer Park Comty Ctr. 12050 W Sunrise Blvd. Plantation, FL ++ Contact: Joe Marshall, PO Box 22102, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33335-2102
PH: 954-802-4967.
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September 26-28
Central Florida Coin Club's Fall Coin & Money Show. Central Florida Fairgrounds, Hall C. 4603 W. Colonial Dr. Orlando, FL. Contact: Donna Moon PO Box 568061, Orlando, FL 32856.
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Palm Beach Coin Show, American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Road, Greenacres, FL Contact: Tony Swicer, PO Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466

October 5
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October 11
St Petersburg Coin Club Show. Disabled American Veterans, 4801 37th Street North, ST Petersburg, FL 33713. Contact: Robert Wiley PH: 727-580-4108, PO Box 1201 St Petersburg, FL 33784-1201

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Ancient City Coin Club sponsored coin and currency show. Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #113. 5050 Inman Rd. St. Augustine, FL Contact: Cliff Wright 904-797-7570.

October 12
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October 30-November 2
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November 1
Brandon Coin Club Coin, Currency, and Stamp Show. Brandon Elks Lodge, 800 Centennial Dr. Brandon, FL. Contact: Mark Palermo. PH: 813-361-0740.
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November 7-9
Tennessee State Numismatic Society Annual Coin Show, Camp Jordan Arena, Chattanooga, TN. Contact: Gayle Pike, 901-327-1703
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November 9
South Brevard & Missle Stamp Club Show, Eau Galle Civic Center, 1551 Highland Ave., Melbourne, FL. Contact: Alysha Wilson. PH: 321-751-3647.
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November 14-15
Greater Jacksonville Coin Club, Coin and Collectible Show, Morocco Shrine Temple, 3800 St. Johns Bluff Rd., Jacksonville, FL
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November 16
Fort Lauderdale Coin Club Coin & Stamp Show, Volunteer Park Comty Ctr. 12050 W Sunrise Blvd. Plantation, FL ++ Contact: Joe Marshall, PO Box 22102, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33335-2102
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November 23
Palm Beach Coin Show, American Polish Club, 4725 Lake Worth Road, Greenacres, FL Contact: Tony Swicer, PO Box 5823, Lake Worth, FL 33466.

December 6-7
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January 24-25
Treasure Coast Coin Club, Inc. Coin & Currency Show -- Vero Beach Community Center, 14th Ave & 23rd St, near intersection Rtes #1 & #60, Vero Beach, FL. Contact: Bob Hurst, PH: 321-427-6474
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January 31 - February 1
Ocala Coin Club Coin Show,Top of the World Circle Square Cultural Center, 8395 SW 80th St. Ocala, FL Contact: Rich Selvar, PO Box 3091, Ocala, FL 34478-3091. PH: 352-748-5225.

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The Collectorama Coin & Currency Show. The Lakeland Center, 701 West Lime, Lakeland, FL ++ Contact: Ed Kuszmar, PO Box 4049, Boca Raton, FL 33429
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email: CollectoramaShow@aol.com

February 15
Annual Ridge Coin Club Coin Show, Sebring Elks Lodge,, 2618 Kenilworth Blvd., Sebring, FL 33870. Contact: Barry Radawiec PH: 863-382-8958 or 835-1253.
email: scubarry@yahoo.com

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March 26-29
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March 27-29
Central Florida Coin Club's Spring Coin & Money Show. Central Florida Fairgrounds, Hall C. 4603 W. Colonial Dr. Orlando, FL. Contact: Donna Moon PO Box 568061, Orlando, FL 32856.
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April 4
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51st Anniversary Georgia Numismatic Association Coin & Currency Show, NW GA Trade & Convention Center, Dalton, GA, I-75at Exit 333. Contact: Chip Cutcliff PH: 770-639-0190.
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July 9-11
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2. Travel east on SR 528 to exit 1 (International Drive)
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3. Go west on Interstate 4 to the SR 528 exit (Exit 72)
4. Go east on SR 528 to exit 1 (International Drive)
5. Go north (right) approximately one mile to Convention Center
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Charmy's Big Adventure at the 2014 ANA Summer Seminar

By, Charmy Harker

First off, let me just say that I love the ANA Summer Seminar and am grateful to have had the opportunity to attend three times! This third time was the award I received for winning the Best in Show award, sponsored by Heritage Auctions, for my Penny Potpourri exhibit at the FUN show. And I couldn't wait to sign up to attend. The only hard part was deciding which class to take since there were several subjects in which I would like to improve my skills.

I decided to see if Rick Snow would let me take his class on the "Secrets of Flying Eagle and Indian Cents" because, even though I am a dealer who specializes in all things cents, I am a firm believer in "the more you know, the more you realize what you don't know." So I knew this class would be of great benefit to me. See, I had wanted to take Rick's class the first time I attended the Summer Seminar a few years ago, but because Rick and I are "fierce" but friendly competitors, Rick teasingly said he didn't want me to learn his "secrets." But this time, I countered with, "After all these years, don't you think I know all your secrets by now!" I guess that must have convinced him since he finally agreed to let me take his class!

Friday evening, we headed over to the popular campus gathering spot, "Lunar Lounge." It's basically an open patio area with tables and chairs between the dorm buildings and has a beautiful view of Pike's Peak. Many Summer Seminar attendees like to meet there at the day's end, bringing with them their favorite beverages and snacks, sometimes guitars and banjoes, or even poker chips and cards. It's probably one of the highlights for many Summer Seminar participants because it offers the opportunity to chat with and get to know other attendees, instructors, and even staff members each night after a busy day of classes and lessons. More importantly, many long-lasting friendships are formed at the Lunar Lounge. The Diggers boys, Tim and George, were kind enough to stop by Lunar Lounge for a short visit. Here are Bruce, George, me, Tim, and Mike Ellis (ANA Governor and friend of the Diggers boys).

On Saturday I had registration and orientation, and I also attended the local coin show and the book sale at the ANA. I also went to the ANA museum to take a look at their new exhibits. Along with the famous Harry W. Bass collection, the ANA's new "Treasures of the Deep" exhibit is amazing and very beautiful, with great informational boards, artwork and decorations, as well as mood music and lighting. Each exhibit shows the various treasures gathered from shipwrecks, including video of the actual Odyssey Marine Exploration retrieving items from the Central America shipwreck on the bottom of the ocean. I really enjoyed this exhibit and recommend it to anyone who has the opportunity to visit the ANA headquarters.

Classes began on Sunday, and our class started out by guessing the grade of several certified Indian cents that Rick passed around with a post-it note placed over the grades. We wrote down our guesses on a notepad, and then Rick showed each coin up on a large screen so we could we discuss our guesses before revealing the actual grade. It was very enlightening and interesting listening to everyone's opinions as to why they agreed or disagreed with the stated grade.

Later that evening, I gave a "bull" session presentation on "Penny Exonumia" which included photos and a discussion on things that were made out of or using pennies. I have been collecting penny exonumia for about 15 years and displayed several pieces from my collection in two cases at the back of the room where I let people carefully examine some of the pieces up close.

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During the second day of Rick's class, we talked about die design changes, popular varieties, Flying Eagle and Indian cent patterns, die anomalies such as gauges and polishing lines, and planchet anomalies such as laminations and wood-grain toning. I noticed how closely everyone paid attention in class and some asked very good questions. This was truly an absorbing and fascinating class for any Flying Eagle/Indian cent enthusiast, and it was apparent that everyone in the class thought so too.

In class on Tuesday we started out discussing counterfeits. Rick showed several different types of counterfeit cents, including one Indian cent that was so good it had even made it into a PCGS holder! It is seriously scary how well some counterfeits are made, especially those created by a very crafty counterfeiter known as "the Bay Area Counterfeiter." He (or she) created high quality counterfeit coins that are known to have come out of the San Francisco area during the 1960's-1970's. Rick showed us examples and told us how to tell the difference between coins with altered dates, altered mint marks, electro spark erosion (which had pitting, polished fields, rough devices), and direct transfer counterfeits (forcing the coin into a blank die). Rick also displayed a few different date counterfeit coins that were made from the same counterfeit dies which could be detected by locating the exact same repeating marks on different coins. The 1877 Indian cent is one of the most commonly counterfeited cents, however, all regular issue 1877 Indian cents have a shallow "N" in ONE on the reverse. Many of the counterfeiters who create fake 1877's use the more common bold "N" reverse die design, thus making it easy to detect a counterfeit 1877. Discussing these counterfeit coins was probably the most fascinating part of the entire class for me since it is the area of numismatics that I find the most daunting.

After class and dinner, it was off to the YN auction which was the highlight of the whole week! The YN's worked tirelessly to obtain donations of items for the auction, describe and list them in the catalog, then prepare and print the catalog. There was also competition between the first and second Summer Seminar sessions' auction to try and "beat" the total earned at each auction. I understand the prior session brought over $12,000. Well, the second session auction more than doubled that figure, with a total of over $30,000!

Reverse of Genuine 1877 Indian Cent

On counterfeit examples, the fake N's are too strong.

For those of you who have been to a Summer Seminar YN auction, you know that the only rule for the auction is that there are no rules, so pretty much anything goes! Some of the antics I have seen include others using unattended bidder numbers to raise bids, crazy bid amounts for small value items, "accidental" bids from someone scratching their nose, etc. It's all in good fun and, of course, it all goes to a very good cause. To give you an example of some of the pranks, at my first YN auction, I didn't know about the "no rules" clause and left my bidder card on my chair while I walked around to take photos. Pretty soon, thanks to whatever person I was sitting next to who slyly used my bidder paddle, I was the proud owner of one of Tiny's straw hats for $35! Then shortly after that, I was bidding on a Jacques Wiener medal I had my eye on, and before I knew it, my good buddy Todd Pollock was bidding against me – he didn't even collect medals! But as I found out a little too late, he wasn't even using his own bidder number, he had "counterfeited" my bidder plate and was bidding against me with my own bidder number!!! Such shenanigans are common in the YN auction, so newbies beware!

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It was now Wednesday, which was graduation day and the awards banquet. In class, Rick showed us some of the more popular and interesting Indian cent varieties. He had recently written an article that included the top 100 Indian cent varieties so we saw and discussed several of them. The first one he happened to show on the screen was an 1862 Indian cent I discovered a few years ago with a reverse die gauge (when the coin is rotated, the gauge has a very similar look to a part of the male anatomy).

Rick also displayed more guess-the-grade coins on the screen so we could see if we had improved our grading skills, which I am happy to say we all had. This purple magenta toned 1877 was one of the more beautiful coins we graded off the screen. When he passed it around for us to grade in hand, we all drooled over it and felt it was accurately graded.

One of my fellow students, Dave, who was also an EAC collector, brought several aluminum foil pressings of large cents. They were made by placing foil around the coin, then using a pressing seal like a notary seal (with blank rubber inserts) to tightly press the foil against the coin. Then the coin was carefully slipped out and the foil placed in a plastic 2 x 2 to preserve the image. These pressings were so well done that you could even identify the variety of the coin just by examining the foil pressing. I was very fascinated by these pressings, and very pleased when Dave graciously gave one of them to me.

When our class finally came to an end, Rick gave each of us our "graduation" certificates – whahooo, I passed! Then we all posed for a class photo.

At the awards banquet, the ANA gave out various awards to the YNs and Certificates of Appreciation to all the instructors for volunteering their time to help support the Summer Seminar program. While the ANA pays for their travel expenses, all the instructors take time away from their families, jobs, and businesses to teach the various classes at Summer Seminar. It's a huge time commitment, but these folks show a true dedication to education and enhancing the field of numismatics.

After the banquet, I went over to Gaylord Hall to watch this really great short-form comedy improv group called "Stick Horses in Pants" perform. They get their humor from everyday situations, and asked the audience to help come up with certain phrases or things, then they would expand on or do a routine around those words or phrases – they were hilarious! After the program, I headed over to Lunar Lounge for one last time to say good-bye to my old and new friends. I only stayed an hour or so because I was exhausted and had to get up at 6am to catch the 7am bus to the airport.

So that's about it. I hope you enjoyed my week-long journey through the world of the ANA Summer Seminar. It was great seeing old friends and making new ones, and I look forward to going back again next year!

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MYTHS, MISINFORMATION & MISUNDERSTANDINGS

One of our Board members recently sent me a magazine that contained an article that focused on taxes and precious metals bullion and coins. He sent it to me since he saw a number of significant errors pertaining to the broker reporting regulations (IRS information return form 1099b) and the cash reporting laws (IRS form 8300.) While his original thought was we could send them correcting information, the article had so many errors that we'd pretty much have to rewrite the article. (We don't write for individual dealers' newsletters. We often write for numismatic publications such as FUN-TOPICS and other hobby newspapers. ICTA members can get our information from the ICTA website in the Members Only section.) In addition, the article had a focus on what they perceived as "tax loopholes" that were outlandishly wrong. The "advice" in this article could have disastrous effects for anyone following it.

Here are a couple things to be wary of.

IRS FORM 1099b – There are only three gold coins that may require reporting on this form – Gold 1 ounce Maple Leaf coins, Kruggerands and Mexican Onzas. Bars of gold, silver, platinum and palladium are reportable when you sell a quantity that meet certain finenesses and also reach CFTC commodity contract minimums. The only silver coins are a bag quantity ($1,000 face value) of 90% U.S. silver coins. BUT it doesn't matter whether the items you sell require reporting on a 1099b or not, as a non-reportable item on which you make a profit will not be exempt from appropriate taxes. Not having an IRS form filed does not give you a pass on taxes.

Cash Reporting Form 8300 – If someone recommends that you buy and sell your coins and precious metals products for cash in order to avoid taxes, they are giving you very, very bad advice. You may find yourself facing federal felony charges for preventing an 8300 form from being filed. Certain bearer instruments, such as money orders and cashier's checks, may also be treated as cash. If paying with a cashier's check or other bearer payment instrument with a face value of over $10,000, the dealer will not have to treat that payment as cash. Multiple bearer instruments each with a face value of $10,000 or less will require the dealer file the form if the total of the transaction is over $10,000. Don't even think of asking a dealer to do a trade "without paperwork." Any dealer who is willing to do this is violating federal law, and you will likely find federal agents anxious to talk to you if the dealer is caught or you have given them another reason to investigate you. By the way, when you withdraw cash from your bank account, the bank may have filed a CTR (currency transaction report.) You won't know it since the bank already has all the information on file for your account that it needs to complete the forms.

Be sure to carefully evaluate anything you see written on regulations and tax issues for the credentials of the author and the validity of the information. Just because something appears in print in a nice looking magazine does not mean the data is accurate.

SALES TAXES

The Marketplace Fairness Act is still pending in Congress. This bill, if passed, will require merchants in every state to collect every other state's sales/use tax. The out-of-state dealer will be required to add your home state's tax to the invoice. No more buying from out-of-state to avoid sales tax.

Technically right now, if your state still levies sales tax on precious metals and coins, you still owe what is called the "use tax" – the same percentage as the sales tax – on your purchase. The only reason you may think you don't owe the tax is because the dealer from out-of-state currently is not required to collect your state's tax unless they have some "presence" in that state. In fact, many states now include a line item on your state income tax return requiring you to own up to how much you purchased from out-of-state and to include that tax amount with your return.

Unlike what you may have heard or read, this Marketplace Fairness Act is NOT limited to internet transactions. It will require the merchants to collect the other states' tax on any internet, mail and phone orders. Ironically, dealers located in the 5 states where there is no sales tax on anything will find that they have to collect the sales/use tax for all other 45 states even though they don't have to do it for their home state!

Don't be fooled into thinking this bill cannot pass. There are currently some political shenanigans going on behind the scenes in Washington that may get this bill sneaked onto a larger bill toward the end of this year. ICTA is, of course, working on helping to prevent this, but we are too small to prevent this from happening on our own.

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Tony Bonaro F.U.N's Director of Youth Activities received the ANA Numismatic Point of Light Award during the 2014 Summer F.U.N Show. American Numismatic Association's Parliamentarian Mark Lighterman presented Mr. Bonaro with the award certificate on behalf of the ANA congratulating him on his exceptional work within the numismatic community.

The Point of Light Award honors the ongoing generosity and commitment in the advancement of numismatics. That statement certainly describes Mr. Bonaro's work within the hobby.

Tony started collecting Lincoln cents as a young boy. His interest grew and he became fully involved in 2002 after attending an ANA show in Jacksonville, Florida with his son. Since that time he and his sons have worked together to complete state quarters sets from 1999 to 2008 and began collecting commemorative coins, and Morgan dollars. Yes! Tony caught the collecting bug while encouraging his sons to take part in the hobby.

Tony is currently serving his fifth term on the F.U.N Board of Directors. However, it is his talent for connecting and engaging with the young people within the hobby that makes him an incredible asset to each F.U.N Show.

Currently, Tony teaches F.U.N's Young Numismatists program and Boy Scout Coin Collecting Merit Badge Clinic twice a year during our January and Summer F.U.N show. He can also be found on F.U.N's bourse floor at our new Coins & Kids booth continuing to educate and enrich the total numismatic experience of the young people visiting our F.U.N conventions.

In Closing, Florida United Numismatists congratulates Tony Bonaro for being recognized by American Numismatic Associations Point of Light Program. He certainly is our shining star.

By Erin Leigh

NUMISMATIC POINTS OF LIGHT PROGRAM AWARD

"Tony Bonaro – Florida is hereby recognized for your commitment and service to the Numismatic Community in the state of Florida. Your passion for sharing the fun of the Numismatic Hobby with Clubs, Collectors and the non-collecting general public of all ages is a shining example for us all! Because your efforts have made a profound difference in the Numismatic experience of many others. ANA President, Walter Ostromecki recognizes this outstanding Numismatic Community Achievement by designating you as "A POINT OF NUMISMATIC LIGHT". I am honored to salute you for your on-going commitment to Numismatics!

Walter Ostromecki
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FUN President and Club Liaison Tony Swicer hosted another informative FUN Member Club Luncheon on Friday July 11th 2014.

FUN Officers Carrie Best and Donna Moon assisted Tony in welcoming the following FUN member clubs: American Numismatic Association, Ancient City Coin Club, Casselberry Coin Club, Florida Casino Chip & Gaming Token Collectors Club, Fort Lauderdale Coin Club, Fort Myers Coin Club, Gold Coast Coin Club, Greater Jacksonville Coin Club, International Association Of Silver Art Collectors, Love Token Society, North Lake Coins & Currency, Ocala Coin Club, Original Hobo Nickel Society, South Brevard Coin Club, Tampa Bay Coin Club, Treasure Coast Coin Club, & West Hernando Coin Club.

Tony began his presentation by offering helpful information to club representatives focusing on the business aspect of maintaining a not for profit numismatic club. The vital importance of purchasing and maintaining club insurance was discussed with many club representatives sharing their experiences with various insurance companies and plans.

An informative dialogue began as guests shared their thoughts and opinions on a wide range of topics regarding the operation and management of their numismatic clubs as well as their coin and currency shows.

- The significance of creating and maintaining a monthly club newsletter
- Staffing a club table offering club brochures at the entrance of your coin show
- The importance of advertising in newspapers, numismatic magazines & on social media.
- How to entice coin dealers to your show and retain them
- The value of educational lectures at your club meeting
- Protecting your fellow collectors from deceptive advertising
- Sharing numismatic programs at your local school, library or fair
- Involvement with local Boy Scout Council & their boy scout merit badge clinic

Donna Moon distributed handouts providing online marketing tips and social media information. Thus, reminding everyone that creating an online presence in this digital age is essential. As the utilization of free social networking services like Twitter, Pinterest, Facebook, & free blogging services like Wordpress, Blogger, and Live Journal will help your club reach a new audience, attracting new members and coin enthusiasts to club meetings and shows.

Adding some fun and frivolity to the reception each attendee was given a ticket for the silver dollar drawing. There were ten lucky numbers drawn resulting in these very happy participants.

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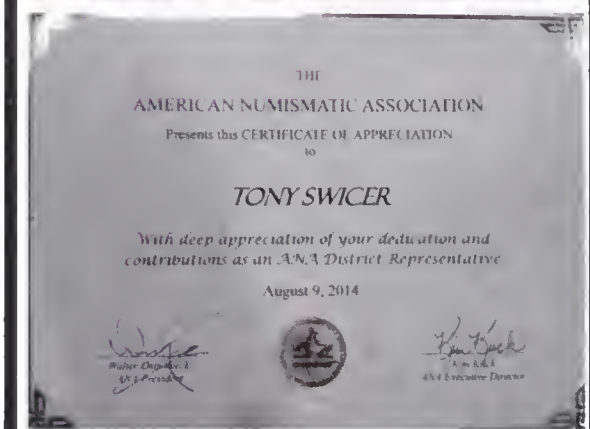

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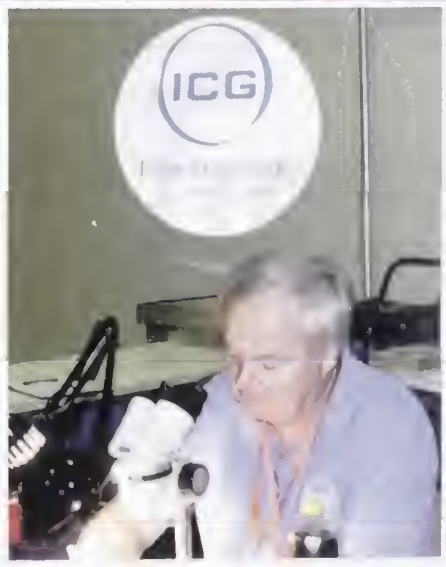

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As I write this we've just gotten word that some dealers have received notice that Chase Bank will be closing their bank accounts. Unlike other instances we've reported in the past, there does not seem to be any correlation to a dealer's compliance with cash reporting and AML requirements. The banks are not providing any reason for the account cancellations, but those we're aware of have had long time accounts and good relationships with the bank. If your bank has arbitrarily decided that precious metals and coin dealers' account aren't worth the "risk", they can decide to decline your business just as you can refuse to do business with certain clients. At this time we are attempting to determine if these actions by Chase are part of a nationwide policy of the bank, but we have determined that these recent notices are not limited to any one state or geographic area. It is very possible that other banks will follow suit.

We strongly urge all precious metals and coin dealers to establish a second bank account with another bank in the event you suddenly get such notice from your existing institution. It does not matter that you have banked with them for many years, have provided any and all AML and other information the bank may have required in the past or if you have a spotless record with them as these dealers did. Protect yourself by having another account for your business. Do it as soon as possible. You may think this cannot happen to you, but so did these currently affected dealers. You don't want to have to scurry to find another bank if you get a closure notice. While it is Chase we have heard of today, other banks may very likely follow their lead, especially the larger banks. You may want to check out a local bank that may be more interested in accepting your account.

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The Douglas MacArthur Philippine coins of 1947

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This year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the passing of General Douglas MacArthur (January 26, 1880 – April 5, 1964). It is a sad fact that many people today would be unable to state who Douglas MacArthur was or what place in history he has assumed. As World War II and the Korean War drift further into the annals of history, sadly the lives and accomplishments of the great commanders are in danger of, as MacArthur himself said "slowly fading away." In his highly regarded biography, American Caesar, Douglas MacArthur 1880-1964, historian William Manchester presents a sympathetic yet balanced portrait of this great general, extolling the MacArthur for his military genius, administrative skill and personal bravery, while pointing out his vanity, paranoia, and tendency toward insubordination. Manchester's central thesis is that MacArthur was an analogue of Julius Caesar, a proposition Manchester supports by noting their great intellect, brilliant strategic military skills, unfettered political ambition, magnanimity as conquerors, as well as their shared tragic flaw of hubris. MacArthur was a dominate force in America's WWII war experience in the Pacific, and played a crucial role in the West's early response to Communism in the Far East. A complex man, he exhibited strategic brilliance in his often forgotten role in the reconstruction of post-war Japan, yet he also possessed extraordinary vanity which, in many cases, almost led (and ultimately did lead) to the General's downfall. In 2013 the United States Treasury issued a commemorative Five Dollar gold coin featuring General Douglas MacArthur, but this was not the first (or only time) that MacArthur was so honored. During his lifetime, MacArthur appeared on what are perhaps the most commonly encountered coins depicting this famous American General: the 1947 Commemorative Peso and Fifty Centavos coins of the Republic of the Philippines. These coins were minted at the United States San Francisco Mint and designed by the famed sculptor, Laura Gardin Fraser. This article will examine these two commemorative coins featuring this iconic WWII General, the first coinage issues of the Republic of the Philippines as a sovereign nation.

General Douglas MacArthur

Douglas MacArthur was an American general and field marshal of the Philippine Army who was Chief of Staff of the United States Army during the 1930s and played a prominent role in the Pacific theater during World War II. He received the Medal of Honor for his service in the Philippines Campaign, (December 8, 1941 to May 8, 1942) which made him and his father Arthur MacArthur Jr. (June 2, 1845 to September 5, 1912) the first father and son to be awarded the medal. At the time of this writing, President Theodore Roosevelt and his son, General Theodore Jr. is currently the only other father-son recipients

Douglas MacArthur was one of only five men ever to rise to the rank of General of the Army in the U.S. Army, and the only man ever to become a field marshal in the Philippine Army. He was raised in a military family, and was valedictorian at the West Texas Military Academy, and First Captain at the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he graduated top of the class of 1903. During the 1914 United States occupation of Veracruz, he conducted a reconnaissance mission, for which he was nominated for the Medal of Honor. In 1917, he was promoted from major to colonel and became chief of staff of the 42nd (Rainbow) Division. In the fighting on the Western Front during World War I, he rose to the rank of brigadier general, was again nominated for a Medal of Honor, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross twice and the Silver Star seven times.

From 1919 to 1922, MacArthur served as Superintendent of the United States Military Academy at West Point, where he attempted a series of reforms. He was next assigned to the Philippines, where in 1924 he was instrumental in quelling the Philippine Scout Mutiny. In 1925, he became the Army's youngest major general. He served on the court martial of Brigadier General William "Billy" Mitchell (December 29, 1879 – February 19, 1936) and was president of the American Olympic Committee during the 1928 Summer Olympics in Amsterdam. In 1930, he became Chief of Staff of the United States Army. As such, he was involved in the controversial expulsion of the Bonus Army protesters from Washington, D.C.

MacArthur retired from the United States Army in 1937, and at the request of President Manuel Quezon, became Military Advisor to the Commonwealth Government of the Philippines, essentially the Commander of the Philippine Army. On December 8, 1941, almost simultaneously with the attack on Pearl Harbor, the Japanese attacked the Philippines and MacArthur was recalled to active duty as commander of the United States Army Forces in the Far East. The destruction of his air force on December 8, 1941, and the invasion of the Philippines by the Japanese soon required MacArthur's forces to withdraw to Bataan, where they heroically held out until May 1942. in 1932, and the establishment and organization of the Civilian Conservation Corps.

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On the orders of President Roosevelt, in March 1942, MacArthur, his family and his staff left nearby Corregidor Island in PT boats and escaped to Australia, where MacArthur became Supreme Commander, United States Armed Forces, and Southwest Pacific Area. He was promoted to General of the Army (equivalent to the European rank of Field Marshal) in 1944. For his brilliant, but unsuccessful defense of the Philippines, MacArthur was subsequently awarded the Medal of Honor. After more than two years of fighting in the Pacific, he fulfilled a promise to return to the Philippines.

MacArthur officially accepted the Empire of Japan's surrender on September 2, 1945, aboard the battleship USS Missouri. MacArthur subsequently oversaw the occupation of Japan from 1945 to 1951. As the effective ruler of Japan, he oversaw sweeping economic, political and social changes.

In 1950, he was appointed Supreme Commander, United Nations Forces in Korea, when the Korean War (June 25, 1950 – July 27, 1953) began. This three year conflict ultimately cost the United States 33,686 battle deaths, 2,830 non-battle deaths and 8,176 missing in action.

He held the United Nations Command in the Korean War until he was removed from command by President Harry S Truman on April 11, 1951, for making public statements that contradicted the Truman administration's policies. His relief of command remains a controversial topic in the field of civil-military relations.

Upon his return to the US, MacArthur was given a ticker-tape parade in NYC, and was allowed the honor to address a joint session of Congress. There was an unsuccessful attempt by Republicans to have him run for President in 1952, but he deferred, and the nomination went to General of the Army Dwight D. Eisenhower. After retirement, he became Chairman of the Board for the Remington Rand Corporation, and spent his remaining years in New York City, speaking out on public issues. His final address, in January 1962, to the graduating class at West Point is considered one of his finest speeches.

MacArthur lived the rest of his life in a series of suites in The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York City. He died of kidney failure on April 5, 1964, and after a moving state funeral, his remains were interred in an elaborate mausoleum in Norfolk, Virginia.

The 1947 Philippines MacArthur Coinage

The 1947 MacArthur Commemoratives are notable in that they were the first coinage of the Republic of the Philippines. The MacArthur commemoratives follow a unique series of United States coinage issued from 1903-1945 for use in the Philippines. With the establishment of the Republic of the Philippines in 1946, these non-circulating commemoratives were the only coinage of the new republic between 1946 and 1958. The sizes, metallic content, and denominations of the coins are consistent with the earlier United States series struck for the Philippines. Both coins were struck in coin alignment.

The two coins consist of a One Peso and a Fifty Centavos coin. The One Peso, Krause number #185 is composed of .900 silver, .5787 oz ASW (Actual Silver Weight) 27.5 mm, with a reeded edge. 100,000 examples were struck.

The Fifty Centavos coin, Krause number #184, is composed of .750 Silver, .2411 oz ASW, 35 mm and a reeded edge. 200,000 examples were struck.

As the mintages suggest, the coins are not rare, although higher silver prices have undoubtedly contributed to the minting of unknown quantities of both denominations. These handsome silver coins have been popularly and heavily promoted over the years, and older numismatic publications are replete with promotional offerings of the two coin set. Today, both coins are readily available from coin dealers, and on online auction sites such as eBay. . The coins are notorious for

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the relatively low relief striking, so while very common in uncirculated condition, well struck examples are not as common, especially for the larger One Peso denomination. The portraits on both coins have a tendency to appear somewhat grainy, especially on the middle of the portrait.

The obverse of the One Peso coin has a uniformed portrait of General MacArthur facing right. The inscription "DEFENDER AND LIBERATOR" appears on the periphery of the rim above the portrait. Completing the passage, the inscription "OF THE PHILIPPINES" appears on the periphery near the bottom rim of the coin.

The portrait is of the General, with his hat and five-star lapel pin. His name and title appear horizontally in the design, the inscription, and indeed his last name, broken by the portrait which appears in the center of the design. "GEN/DOUGLAS, MAC/ARTHUR" appearing on two lines. Under the General's bust, the date "OCT 20 1944." The date is a reference to the liberation of the Philippines. Just above the date, and underneath the General's portrait, the designer's initials, "L.G.F."

The Fifty Centavos coin has the similar position and lettering as the One Peso coin. However, the portrait is more of a three-quarter view of MacArthur in uniform.

The reverses of both coins are also similar, with the exception of the denominations. The upper periphery of each has the inscription "PHILIPPINES." Near the bottom periphery of each coin the denomination, either "ONE PESO," or "FIFTY CENTAVOS." The central design element is of the Seal of the Republic of the Philippines, which consists of a shield with the Katipunan sun in center oval, three stars above. Below were the Spanish lion and American eagle, making the overall design a shorthand history of Philippine history. Just below the seal is the "S" mintmark, signifying the San Francisco Mint, and the date "1947."

The coins were designed by Laura Gaudin Fraser (September 14, 1889 - August 13, 1966). Fraser's work is well known to American numismatists, having designed a number of commemorative coins and medals during her lifetime. As recently as 1999, the United States Mint issued a commemorative Five Dollar gold coin for the bicentennial of Washington's death, based on a design by Laura Gaudin Fraser which she had originally submitted for the 1932 Quarter Dollar commemorating the bicentennial of George Washington's birth.

The MacArthur Philippines coins are widely available on on-line auction sites such as eBay, and often appear in the inventories of dealers that deal with world coins. Because of the popularly of the General, as well as the high mintages and silver content, the coins have been the subject of numerous hobby promotions over the years, and often are found in collections of United States coins.

These attractively designed coins are modestly priced, generally commanding slight premiums over bullion value. For collectors looking for a historic coin issue, depicting a famous American General, the 1947 Peso and Fifty Centavos coins are an interesting, well designed, and modestly priced addition to any collection.

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General "Billy Mitchell was a United States Army general who is regarded as the father of the United States Air Force. Mitchell had antagonized many people in the Army with his arguments advocating increased investment in air power, and in 1925, was returned from appointment as a brigadier general to his permanent rank of Colonel. The same year was court-martialed for insubordination after accusing Army and Navy leaders of an "almost treasonable administration of the national defense" for investing in battleships instead of aircraft carriers. He would resign from the service shortly thereafter. After his death, he received many honors, including a commission by FDR as a Major General. He is also the only individual after whom a type of U.S. military aircraft, the North American B-25 Mitchell, is named.

United States coinage is struck in "coin alignment" also sometimes referred to as "coin rotation." Thus, for a U.S. coin, when the coin is held by the top and bottom edge and rotated from side-to-side, the reverse will appear upside down.

The Crème de la Crème: Collecting Proof Half Dollars

By Mark Benvenuto

Deep inside all of us collectors is the desire to own the best possible coins we can possibly find. Sure, coins that show some wear on them have character and were obviously used, and a coin with a well-placed hole in it has some story behind it, as it was probably used as jewelry or a lucky charm. But ultimately, when it comes to condition, we all have a soft spot for the very best. For the past several decades, that has meant proof coins. And for much of that time, the biggest proof coins a person could get were half dollars. Thus, let's see how feasible it is to collect proof half dollars, and how much the endeavor may steamroll the average wallet.

The Kennedy Halves

The Kennedy half dollar series may vie with coins such as the 20-cent pieces of the 1870's as the least used coins ever -- and may also take the cake for the longest running series to not get used much. There are no coin machines that take them, or spots in cash registers for them (and if you give them to folks at fast food restaurants and such as a way to educate people, know that all you are doing is causing a problem and a delay in the line of folks behind you). Yet the Mint keeps pounding out Kennedy halves, and keeps making proof versions of them. Assembling a set of proofs can be fun, simply because all the individual proofs one can buy have been broken out of sets.

When it comes to collecting most proof coins, it is usually wise to look for pieces that have been encapsulated by some third party grading service so that you have assurance that the PF-67 you just purchased is indeed that grade, and not something lower. But with the proof Kennedy halves, they are usually so inexpensive that it isn't worth the trouble to slab them in the first place. That includes the recent ones that are again being made in silver. So the rule of thumb here is this: buy what you can afford, whether the coin is raw or slabbed. That routinely prevents any buyer's remorse.

The 1964 Kennedy is the one coin in this series that it might be worth adding to any collection in slabbed form. The price for something like a PF-67 specimen is only about $50, but higher grades can zoom through the roof in terms of price. Here the guarantee that a slab provides can be helpful.

The Franklin Proofs

The Franklin half dollars were issued only from 1948 to 1963, and during that span of time proofs were issued from the Main Mint in Philadelphia every year except the first two. And the mintage totals from 1950 to 1963 span an enormous range, which is part of what makes collecting proof Franklins so interesting.

Going backwards through the years, the 1961, the 1962, and 1963 proof Franklin half dollars each saw mintages greater than 3 million coins. They can be obtained today in grades as high as PF-70 – no kidding, technically perfect coins – for about $400 each. "Lesser" grades such as PF-67 generally cost less than $100 each.

The 1957 – 1960 proof Franklin halves were all made to about the tune of 1 million per year, with only the 1958 dipping below that mark, to 875,652. These are all more expensive than those we just mentioned, at least in those highest of grades. But if you snag a piece in PF-65, the prices are still below $100 per coin.

Before that, from 1954 – 1956, the proof Franklins are common enough that again $100 will go a long way when it comes time to buy. It's those earliest four years of proofs that become a thorny little problem. All can still be found as proofs, and in grades like PF-65, but the prices rise quickly, especially for the least common of them, the 1950. In these cases, that note with Ben Franklin's smiling face on it won't go too far in buying a proof half dollar with his face on it.

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The Proof Walking Liberty Halves

The beautiful Walking Half dollars that were the fifty-cent pieces of the land from 1916 to 1947 include a few years in the series in which proofs were coined. From 1936 to 1942 the proof mintages slowly built from a low of 3,901 in 1936 to a high point of 21,120 in 1942. Some of the major price listings quote these as being about $500 in grades such as PF-64 or PF-65. The trick is finding one in the first place! These do not tend to be the kind of coins just lying in dealer cases, even at the best attended and biggest F.U.N. shows. They tend to be coins that cross the auction block – and that means price guides are somewhat dubious indicators of value. But even adding one proof Walking Liberty half to a collection of proof halves would be one to plunk firmly into the 'win' column.

The Proof Barber Halves

Though it may be hard to believe, even though what gets called the modern proofs have their start as sets first issued in 1936, there are a small number of what get called proof half dollars that were issued considerably before that. We'll concentrate on the Barbers, and point out that these proofs are not made in the same manner as modern proof coins, meaning polished dies, frosted reliefs, mirrored fields, and twice-struck surfaces. They are excellent coins, to be sure, but they were not produced in the same manner.

The proof Barber halves were also not minted to anywhere near the same quantities as those of the Walking Liberty, Franklin, or Kennedy series. Only the first year, 1892, saw a proof count that went higher than one thousand coins. Many years saw a few hundred made, and no more. All that adds up to big prices today. Once again, these are the coins of auctions, and once again any price guide may be nothing more than a well-educated guess.

Overall

If the limited number of Barber half dollars are not too expensive for you, the earlier Seated Liberty half series does have a very small number of proofs within it, and the prices are ratcheted right up to verify the scarcity of each of them. But even for those of us of limited means, there are plenty of relatively common proof halves we can collect and enjoy. Best of luck when it comes to building your collection of them!

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The Summer FUN Coin Club Get Together was a success with 28 club members representing 19 coin clubs attending. We had fried chicken & pork chops with all the accompaniments. Ten silver eagles were given away, and we discussed keeping coin dealers at your show, club membership, the club newsletter, rip-off advertising, and club insurance. The next coin club get together will be at the FUN Show, Saturday January 10th at noon. Please RSVP (2 club members per club) so that we know how much food to order.

Ancient City Coin Club- had 39 in attendance at their last meeting. Rick Bretz spoke on "Collecting Pedigreed Coins", slabbed coins with the provenance on the label. They also discussed treasurers they found at the FUN show.

Brandon Coin Club- had 48 in attendance. The May club show went very well. The club raffle and auction followed.

Casselberry Coin Club- had Bob Hawes speak on "Americas Clad Coinage", followed by the raffle, and auction.

Central Florida Coin Club- had several members volunteer at Summer FUN. Zach Lauer reported on the ANA summer seminars. The YN program was on "Indian Cents".

Ft. Lauderdale Coin Club- had a program on "Seated Type Coins" by Greg Wagner.

Ft. Walton Beach Coin Club- had 56 at their last meeting. Dave Parenteau gave a program on "Counterfeit Gold & Silver Coins". The auction followed.

Gold Coast Coin Club- had the ANA DVD, "Introduction to Numismatics".

Greater Jacksonville Coin Club- had a program on "Collecting Kennedy Half Dollars" by Richard Buchs & Tony Bonaro. YN Peyton Souder has been named YN of the year by the ANA.. The spring coin show was a big success.

Greater Ocala Coin Club- had a program on "Coin Grading, Part 2" by Ray Hertz. They discussed what they found at Summer FUN, followed by the auction. The club picnic was Tuesday July 29th at 6PM.

North Lake Coin & Currency Club- had Mark Trout speak on "Kennedy's". They had a raffle, 50/50 drawing, and the auction.

Palm Beach Coin Club- had Richard Spencer speak on "US Currency". They had Estate Auction #27 at the second meeting along with a FUN Show report and discussion. 60 attended.

Sarasota Coin Club- had 29 at their last meeting. Bart Bartanowicz and Philip Walski gave talks. Ben Todd told , "What was Hot & What was Not", followed by the auction.

Tampa Bay Coin Club- signed up 3 new members. The club was interviewed by The Laker/Lutz News to let more people know about their club. The club had a table at Summer FUN

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Treasure Coast Coin Club- had a coin grading contest, entitled, "How Good are Your Coin Grading Skills". Members were shown coins with the grades concealed. The grades were then revealed.

Venice Coin Club- had 26 members at their last meeting. Phil Kolbe made club members guess, "What was the Mystery Country". Jay Chamberlain gave a program on, "Journeying Through the all US Mints", followed by the auction.

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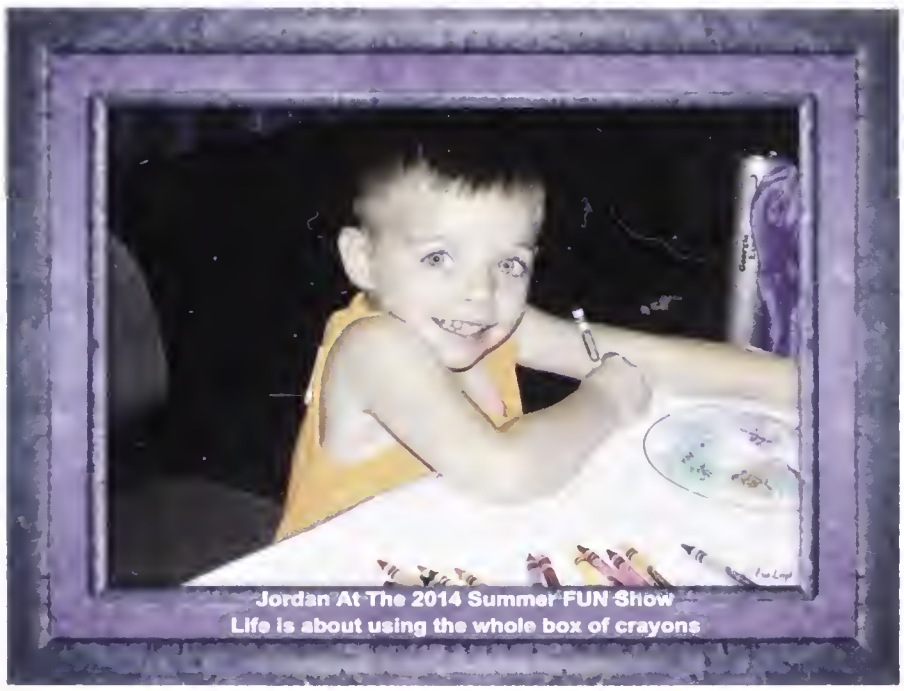
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Coin Crazy?

By Michael S. Fey, Ph.D.

Yes, I love coins and I collect lots of them for many different reasons. I guess you can say that I'm a bit coin crazy, but there are some aspects to the hobby that literally drive me nuts. Please allow me to vent a few.

It's my understanding that non-circulated "proof" coins are graded according to the amount of "cleaning". After all, a brief wipe with a tissue or such can result in varying amounts of hairlines on the delicate "mirror-like" fields and the devices, all of which reduce the proof grade. However, when the same is done to a business strike "proof-like" coin, the coin is graded something like "cleaned" or "uncirculated details". Why?

Fingerprints often reduce the grade of a coin and I would agree if they were unsightly. However, I have a high grade Norweb pedigreed coin with a fingerprint on it. Chances are good that the fingerprint contains Norweb's DNA. Now, I would rather have a coin of a famous person with their DNA than their original signature. Shouldn't that make the coin more valuable, hence increase the market grading of the coin?

Toning color on coins can be attractive, neutral or ugly. They can raise the grade and hence value of a coin, have no effect on the coin's grade, or cause a reduction in its grade. If the grading services grade coins on "market" rather than "technical" grades, why do some coins bring many multiples of their assigned grade? For example, I have sold beautifully toned common date Morgan dollars in auction from MS 63-MS 66 for many multiples of their common price. Should they have been graded much higher based on their unique and beautiful eye appeal?

1878 8TF VAM 9 PCGS/NGC MS 64PL

From my experience, Morgan dollar deep mirror proof-likes (DMPLs) were graded much more liberally several years ago than today. Now, I look at some Morgans that grade PL and scratch my head as to why they were not graded DMPL. The difference in prices between DMPL and PL can be many multiples on some rarer dated PL/DMPL coins. The change in grading standards will leave some collectors with older DMPL coins worth somewhat less than they think, while astute DMPL collectors today may be able to buy PL coins that could someday be graded DMPL. We need a more objective standard.

We've come to learn that some ways to clean a coin, dubbed "conservation", is acceptable, while others methods are not. Coins toned attractively over time are graded, while coins deemed to be toned quickly are certified as with a negative connotation. The market prices between coins graded as "cleaned" or "artificially toned" can be substantial. Yet some coins graded as cleaned, or with artificial toning can be more attractive and market acceptable than their genuine counterparts.

I suppose you can always seek to buy an attractive certified "no-problem" graded coin if it's common as opposed to a certified "problem" coin. However, this is not always the case with rare coins. To make my point, would you reject an 1804 dollar with a small planchet flaw, patch of hairlines, or an old cleaning?

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PO Box 559, Sandwich, IL 60548
www.fly-inclub.org

Fort Lauderdale Coin Club LM - 726
PO Box 15604, Plantation, FL 33318 - Volunteer Park Community Ctr., 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd., Plantation, FL.
7.15 PM - 2nd & 4th Thursday
www.ftlauderdalecoinclub.com

Fort Myers/Cape Coral Coin Club #4361
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7:00 PM - 3rd Thursday
email: *gelewis@aol.com*

Fort Walton Beach Coin Club #5696
Contact: http://www.pensacolanumismativ-society.20m.com - Meeting Place: Joe & Eddies Restaurant, 400 N. Elgin Pkwy,
6:45 PM - 2ndT hursday
email: fwbcoinclub@gmail.com
www.fortwaltonbeachcoinclub.com

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website: www.gamoney.org

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www.billscoins@att.net

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bobcoin@earthlink.net
7:00 PM - 2nd Tuesday

GreaterJacksonvilleCoinClub LM - 861
PO Box 48322, Jacksonville, FL 32247
PH: 904-733-8040 - NE Florida Safety Council, 1725 Art Museum Dr. Jacksonville, FL 32207
htttp://gjcc.anaclubs.org/
7:00 PM - 2nd Monday

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Contact:Kathy J. McFadden, PO Box 3253 Annapolis, MD 212403
PH: 410-626-7005 - FAX:410-626-7007
Summer @ ANA -- Winter @ FUN

International Association of Silver Art Collectors #12280
Contact: Nancy Yee, President. PO Box 28415, Seattle, WA 98118-8415.
Annual meeting

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5283 Mineral Lane
Centennial, CO 80122-4016
Annual Meeting: August ANA
Regional Mtg: FUN, EAC, Nov. Baltimore

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Vernon Hills, IL. 60061

Lincoln Cent Resource #25225
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PO Box 121
Rutherford, NJ 07070
website: www.linconcentresource.net

Love Token Society #12856
Contact: Sid Gale, P O Box 2351 Denham Springs, LA 70727 - PH: 225-664-0718
www.lovetokensociety.com
email: sidgale@cox.net
Annual meeting ANA - local meeting FUN

MADDIECLASHES.com #23958
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email: Mdia1@aol.com

Madison County Coin Club #25233
Thomas W. Davison, MCCC, PO Box 2103, Madison, AL 35758.
Sr. Senior Center, 2200 Drave Ave SW, Huntsville, AL 35640. 4th Tuesday each Month except May and Dec. *website: http:/mccc.anaclubs.org/*

Manatee Coin Club LM-801
Contact: Fred Vandergriff, 673 Cortez Plaza, Bradenton, FL 34207. 941-756-0186. Meeting place: Christian Reformed Church, 4208 26th St. W. Bradenton
7PM - 3rd Tuesday.

Maryland State Numismatic Assoc. LM - 899
PO Box 13504 Silver Spring, MD 20911-3504.
Annual Meeting: Whitman Expo-Baltimore
website: *www.mdstatenumisassn.org.*

Metropolitan Coin Club of Atlanta #17596
PO Box 76090, Atlanta, GA 30358-1090
770-394-4103 - Ronald Wichman, Treas
email: rlwichman@bellsouth.net
website: www.mccatl.org

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PO Box 410652, St. Louis, Mo 63141-0652. Creve Coeur American Legion, 934 E. Rue de la Banque. St. Louis, Mo. 4th Wednesday, except November.
info@missourinumismaticsociety.org.

National Silver Dollar Roundtable #8573
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email: oklahomacoin@cox.net

North Carolina Numismatic Assoc, Inc. #21129
PO Box 147, Drexel, NC 28619-0147
PH: 704-209-3034

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c/o Don Pitcher, 352-245-5680.
Wildwood Community Center, 6500 Powell Rd (CR139), Wildwood, FL 34785email: northlkccc@centurylink.net
6PM - 9PM- 2nd Wednesday Monthly

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Contact: David M. Sundman, Sec/Tres, PO Box 82, Littleton, NH 03561
Website: http://www.coinsbooks.org./
Meet at: ANA and FUN

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Contact: Rich Selvar, PO Box 3091, Ocala, FL 34478-3091 - PH: 352-748-5225. Motel 6 exit 354 on I-75 and hwy 27.
6:30PM - 4th Tuesday

Original Hobo Nickel Society, Inc #13367
Contact: Becky Jirka, Secretary, 5111 Illinois Avenue, Lisle, IL 60532-2015
email: beckyjiohns@yahoo.com
Annual meeting FUN

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7:00 PM - 2nd & 4th Wednesday
email: swicer@comcast.net

Pensacola Numismatic Society, Inc #14539
Contact: http://www.pensacolanumismaticsociety.20m.com Emerald Coast Coin Shop, 7141-A N.9th Ave. Pensacola
7:00 PM - 3rd Thursday
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Lancaster, PA 17604-7212
Phone: 717-872-4425

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Contact: VP-Barry Radawiec, 863-382-8958

Saint Louis Numismatic Assn. #22092
c/o: Mike Orlando, PO Box 1102, St. Louis, Mo. 63074.

Saint Petersburg Coin Club LM - 376
c/o Robert Wiley. 727-580-4108,3603 50 Ave N. St Petersburg, FL 33714. St Petersburg Community Church, 4501 30th Ave. North.
600 PM - 2nd Monday
email: Landjhester@yahoo.com

Sarasota Coin Club LM-795
c/o David Klein, 640 S. Washington Blvd. Suite 100, Sarasota, FL 34236-7130
Waldemere Fire Station Waldemere St.
7PM - 3rd Monday
email: tskidmore10@comcast.net

Silver Sands Coin Club #3829
PO Box 543, Lynn Haven, FL 32444
Palo Also Church of Christ, Hwy 231, Panama City, FL Contact: Anthony Bedell.
email: abedell3@comcast.net
7:00 PM - 3rd Tuesday Monthly

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c/o Mike Andrew, 680 Grackle Dr., Casselberry, FL 32707

South Brevard Coin Club #6773
The Peace Lutheran Church, 1801 Port Malabar Blvd. NE, Palm Bay, FL. Contact: Tim Janecke, 2145 Golf Isle Dr. #1223, Melbourne, FL 32935.
7 pm - 1st Wednesday.
SouthBrevardCoinClub@gmail.com

Southern Gold Society #17209
c/o David Crenshaw, P O Box 237, Dacula, GA 30019-0004.
Quarterly Meetings

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c/o Arthur S. Patrick, 2729 Cloudcroft Dr. Apopka, FL 32703, PH: 407-889-0528.
Spatrick3@cfl.rr.com

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Contact: David Crooks, PO Box 166
Clarendon Hills, IL 60514
email: dcrooks@dcrooks.com

Tallahassee Numismatic Club #25070
Contact: Hemanth Vasanthaiah,President. 850-322-4647.
Meetings: 4th Tuesday. Galleries of Grace Estate Buyers, Governors Square Mall, Tallahassee.
email: hemanth.vasanthaiah@gmail.com

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Forest Hills Park, 724 W 109th Ave.
Contact:Joseph Crespo. PO Box 1035, Land O'Lakes, Fl 34639. PH: 813-420-6460
tbcc1955@aol.com
Meetings: Third Tuesday 6:45PM.
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Box 11705, Memphis, TN 38111
email: pikegk@aol.com; website:www.tsns.org
Annual meeting: March show

The 1715 Fleet Society #24062
Ben Costello, 505 Washington Trust Building, Washington, PA 15301
email: 1715fleetsociety@gmail.com

The Elongated Collectors (TEC) #25252
PO Box 1885 Tehachapi, CA 93581-1885

Titusville Coin Club #14020
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7:30 PM - 3rd Tuesday

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c/o Bob Piazzt
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Niceville, FL 32578
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7:00PM - 4th Monday

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Bruce Schneider: 352-584-3163
Heather Community Center off Hwy 19
7PM - Second Monday
www.westhernandocoinclub.com

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name _____

name _____

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2015 Adult Scholarship Program

This program is to assist adult(s) to attend the Annual ANA Summer Seminar with dormitory rooming and meal plan, tuition, and coach transportation. We hope the intent of the scholarship matches your expectation. Below we outline the qualification process and the guidelines the F.U.N. Board of Directors have approved. GOOD LUCK!!!

2014 Winner - Bill Sanders

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1) Membership in F.U.N. for at least one year before applying for scholarship.
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   d) Serving in leadership positions for local clubs, or volunteering to help insure a successful coin club or coin show.
4) Agreeing to submit an article to FUN Topics upon return from the Annual ANA Summer Seminar on the subject matter of your class.
5) This award must be used the year it is awarded.

General Guidelines:

Submit a short Essay (less than 500 words) on what you have done for numismatics since becoming involved in the hobby. Tell us your area of interest and how the ANA Summer Seminar would help in pursuing your goals. Please give examples of how you plan to share your experiences with fellow hobby enthusiasts after attending the seminar. **The deadline for your application must be postmarked by October 1, 2014** and mailed to: FUN, Donna Moon, Secretary,PO Box 780401, Orlando, FL 32878-0401.

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2014 Winner - Charmy Harker

1. Only one scholarship will be given each year for the Best-of-Show winner.
2. Your subject matter may not win the scholarship in consecutive years. In case the same exhibit would get another Best-of-Show within a consecutive year, no scholarship would be given out that year.
3. If you win the scholarship, you would be required to be an ANA member before the scholarship is awarded.
4. You are required to write an article for FUNTopics.
5. FUN will pay for coach airfare, tuition, and a room in the dorm and food in the campus cafeteria. If anyone wants to stay and eat elsewhere, they will be given a $ amount equal to the "Campus rates."
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Previous exhibit awards at FUN conventions_____
My intended convention address, if known_____
_____

Exhibit Title_____
Exhibit description: A brief note describing the theme/numismatic purpose of your exhibit. Use back of application if needed._____
_____

Number of Cases Needed #_____; or I shall provide #_____ cases of my own.

Release From Liability

I have read the "Rules for Exhibitors" and agree to abide by them. I guarantee all of the numismatic material in my exhibit is my own property. I hereby release Florida United Numismatists and its directors, members, agents, and servants in their official and personal capacities from any liability for loss, damage or destruction of my exhibited materials. The foregoing release shall not limit the liability of any individual who may be personally guilty of theft, willful damage or destruction of my numismatic material.

Signature_____**Date**_____

Parent's Signature if under 18_____**Date**_____
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Robert "Bob" Russell
PO Box 941616
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32794-1616

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